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Manmatha was reduced to ashes by the flame of your eye.

Daksha too, blinded by arrogance, reached a pitiable state.

Weary due to the fire of Manmatha’s expertise (in creating desire), (and) blinded by arrogance, I worship you for the sake of humility.

O Mind! Contemplate upon this Siddheshvara,
You have no end and no beginning either.  Vishnu and that Brahma, becoming a boar and becoming a swan going up (respectively), indeed bear witness (to this).  I worship you alone, Siddheshvara (who is) shining in the form of a great Linga (column of fire).

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The auspicious Ganga is perennally in great flow here.

You are Shiva,

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O Lord Siddheshvara!

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O Siddheshvara!

Long back,

Vishnu

gave
O Siddheshvara! Long back, Vishnu gave his lotus-like eye, at your lotus-feet as an adornment (offering). This past event is true today (as) Vishnu of Badari-dham has given very well.

Note: There may have been some incident at the time of composing this verse, that may connect to the earlier worship of Vishnu.

A wonder indeed!
O Siddheshvara! Ganga, though released from your matted locks, holding the desire to serve you, has come again near you, as a mighty stream, for your Abhisheka with her waters.
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O Siddheshvara!

If I am not egoisic, (then) you are not separate from me.

You (are) pleased with those who prostrate (to you) the giver of joy to those who prostrate (to you) “You are not apart from me” (saying) thus, please give the joy of being one (with you) here (in this world), to those who worship.

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